



EPA

San Gabriel Valley Superfund Sites South El Monte Operable Unit

Groundwater Well Installation and Sampling Program

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The purpose of this fact sheet is to notify residents of upcoming field work in your neighborhood. During the months of March and April, two groundwater monitoring wells will be drilled as part of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) efforts to determine the extent of groundwater contamination in the area. The wells will be located on Walnut Grove Avenue, between Dorothy Street and Garvey Avenue, and Fern Avenue and Klingerman Street (see map on reverse). Residents living near the drilling sites are not being exposed to groundwater contamination and will not be exposed to hazardous chemicals during this field work. Sampling results from the groundwater monitoring wells will provide the EPA with information to help design a system to contain the spread of groundwater contamination. The results of the groundwater monitoring will be made available to the public, along with other project documents, at the information repositories listed on the reverse.

Drilling and Sampling

Two monitoring wells will be drilled on Walnut Grove Avenue in the southbound lane and parking lane. The well drilling project will begin in mid-March. The wells will take from four to six weeks to be drilled, installed and sampled, and should be completed by the end of April. EPA contractors and subcontractors will work both weekdays and weekends during some parts of the drilling and sampling, including 2-3 days of 24-hour activity.

Minimizing Impacts

We will do our best to keep the impact of our activities on local residents to a minimum. Soundproofing blankets will be used to minimize the impact of equipment noise. Disruption of traffic by well installation activities will be kept to a minimum. Walnut Grove Avenue will be open to traffic in each direction. Based on our experience with drilling other wells in the area, we do not expect there to be any disturbance from ground vibrations. Parking spaces in front of several residences will temporarily be unavailable on the west side of Walnut Grove Avenue in the immediate vicinity of each well.

Site Safety

During the drilling, the well sites will have appropriate barriers for public safety and be occupied by health and safety trained personnel or will have 24-hour security patrol. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Bella

Dizon or Catherine McCracken at (800) 231-3075. You may also contact Ken Rukavina, Rosemead City Engineer, at (626) 569-2151.

Site Restoration

The wells will be built at ground-level in a standard utility box. After completion of the drilling and well installation, each location will be restored to essentially the same condition as prior to our work, except for a manhole cover on the surface.

For More Information

If you have questions or concerns about the groundwater wells project in the South El Monte Operable Unit (OU) or about the EPA's activities in the San Gabriel Valley, please contact:

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Or leave a message on EPA's **toll-free** line and your call will be returned: **(800) 231-3075**

Information Repositories

Information about EPA's project in the South El Monte OU and EPA's activities in the San Gabriel Valley is available at the following local libraries:

Rosemead Library

8800 Valley Blvd.
Rosemead, CA 91770
(626) 573-5220

West Covina Library

1601 West Covina Parkway
West Covina, CA 91790
(626) 962-3544

Information about EPA's Superfund Program is available on the Internet:

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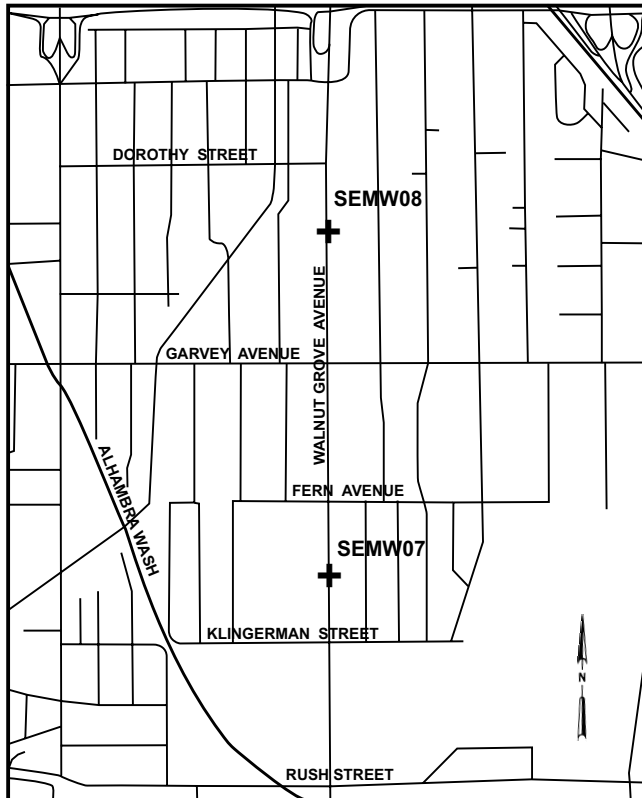
Solid and Hazardous Waste Programs

Home Page: www.epa.gov/region09/waste

EPA Superfund Program

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**Locations of Proposed Monitoring Wells
(SEMW07 and SEMW08)**